MR. KALLUR NARAYANA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*) : കുംഭം, മീനമാസ കാലങ്ങളിൽ പരീക്ഷവച്ചിരിക്കുന്നതുകൊണ്ടു വളരെ ബോഷമുണ്ടെന്നറി യാമോ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): ബോഷം ക ണ്ടേയ്ക്കാം.

*Dispensary Building at Chengannur.*

330. MR. KALLUR NARAYANA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*) : (*a*) Are the Government aware that the Dispensary at Chengannur is housed in a small building in an unhealthy and congested quarter near the local market?

(*b*) Have the Government any objection to locate the dispensary in the Sri Mulam Hall building which was being used for the English High School, Chengannur, since there is a shed put up by the Government as a continuation building?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) The question of removing the dispensary at Chengannur from the present building is under the consideration of the Administrative Board, Medical Services.

(*b*) The Report of the Board is awaited.

*Jenmi-Kudiyan Bill.*

331. MR. A. J. JOHN (*Vaikam*) : (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have received representations from the *Kudiyans* about the draft Bill to amend the Jenmi and Kudiyan Regulation?

(*b*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have taken or propose to take any action on these representations?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) The Government have received representations both from the *Kudiyans* and the *Jenmies* against the draft Jenmi and Kudiyan Bill.

(*b*) The representations are under consideration.

MR. A. J. JOHN (*Vaikam*) : May I know why the draft Bill prepared by the Jenmi Kudiyan Committee was not accepted by the Government?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : Government do not *accept* any Bill at that stage.

MR. A. J. JOHN (*Vaikam*) : May I know why that draft Bill was not *adopted* by the Government?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : Even that they do not do at that stage.

MR. A. J. JOHN (*Vaikam*) : Is there any special reason for not accepting that draft Bill?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : A draft Bill is intended for consideration by the Legislative Council. Government do not adopt any draft Bill.

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**MR. A. J. JOHN** (*Vaikam*): May I know the cost incurred on account of the Jenmi Kudiyan Committee?

**MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR** (*Secretary to Government*): I rise to a point of order as to whether this arises as a supplementary question.

**PRESIDENT**: It does not arise as a supplementary question.

**MR A. J. JOHN** (*Vaikam*): Are the Government aware that the value of the *jenmam* lands is solely due to the labour and capital invested by the Kudiyans?

**MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR** (*Secretary to Government*): It is a matter for a ruling from the Chair as to whether it arises as a supplementary question.

**PRESIDENT**: Mr. John, your interpellation is directed to elicit information about the draft Bill, but your supplementary question goes into the merits of the case. Therefore, it does not arise as a supplementary question.

**MR. A. J. JOHN** (*Vaikam*): Are the Government aware that the present draft Bill is likely to cause more hardship to the *Kudiyans* than the existing Regulation?

**MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR** (*Secretary to Government*): The whole point is being considered by the Government. Part (*b*) of the answer says that the representations are under consideration.

**MR. A. J. JOHN** (*Vaikam*): Are the Government aware that the working of the Regulation is causing much harm to the *Kudiyans*?

**MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR** (*Secretary to Government*): That is a matter of opinion.

**MR. A. J. JOHN** (*Vaikam*): May I know how long it will take for the Government to introduce the new Bill?

**MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR** (*Secretary to Government*): It is a matter of time. I cannot say anything now.

**MR. A. J. JOHN** (*Vaikam*): Are the Government aware that the *Kudiyans* have been agitating for over quarter of a century for this purpose?

**MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR** (*Secretary to Government*): Yes, there has been some agitation in the country.

**MR. A. J. JOHN** (*Vaikam*): May I know whether another Bill will be introduced during this session itself?

**MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR** (*Secretary to Government*): It should first of all be decided whether the present Bill is to be introduced into the Council or not, before thinking of another Bill.

*Jenmi and Kudiyan Regulation.*

332. **MR. K. SIVARAMA PANIKKAR** (*Shertallai*): (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether they propose to introduce any Bill to amend the existing Jenmi and Kudiyan Regulation?

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